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College of
DESIGN

ARCHITECTURE

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PLANNING

The University of Cincinnati's College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning (DAAP) successfully combines the benefits of a selective art school with the resources of a research university.

ARCHITECTURAL STUDIES MINOR

A minor in architectural studies provides the underpinning history of significant building, with buildings reflecting the social, cultural, political and technological circumstances of their culture. Sustainability will be explored and understood as a significant contemporary influence in forming the built environment.

The architectural studies minor gives students an understanding of the professional practice of architecture and the multiple roles of an architect engaged in the business and production of architecture. Students can choose to focus their elective courses on history, theory and criticism, urbanism or building technology.

21 semester hours are required for this minor.

To be considered for the architectural studies minor, students must have a university cumulative GPA of at least 3.0.

ART HISTORY MINOR

A minor in art history introduces the work and lives of artists and develops students' ability to investigate and understand the forms, traditions, meanings, and cultural and theoretical contexts of works of art. Students acquire skills in visual analysis, critical thinking, and written and oral communication that will be beneficial in a variety of professional careers.

21 semester hours are required for this minor.

To be considered for the art history minor, students must have a university cumulative GPA of at least 2.5.

CRITICAL VISIONS CERTIFICATE

The interdisciplinary, cross-college curriculum of the critical visions certificate combines critical theory and social analysis with art, media, and design practice. Completing the critical visions certificate increases students' understanding of what is at stake in how we see, including the social and political ramifications of advertising, art, media, popular culture, and science, among other dominant and subversive visual forms and visualizing practices. It also facilitates the development of new creative practices that intervene in how we see and explain the world.

22 semester hours are required for this certificate.

To be considered for the critical visions certificate, students must have a university cumulative GPA of at least 2.5.

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FASHION DESIGN STUDIES MINOR

A minor in fashion design studies provides the underpinning history and theories of fashion design as a progenitor of a social and material culture that is integrated within and reflective of the essence of time, place and people. The contemporary and multi-media practice of the fashion design industry is introduced and explored. Design thinking and problem solving, along with collaborative work are part of fashion design culture and are components of this minor.

21 semester hours are required for this minor.

To be considered for the fashion design studies minor, students must have completed 30 semester hours of college coursework and have a university cumulative GPA of at least 3.0.

FINE ARTS MINOR

A minor in fine arts develops students' artistic skills and abilities. This program requires one seminar experience in Introduction to Contemporary Art and Visual Culture, foundation studies, introductory studios, and advanced studios. Studio courses are selected by the student and include drawing, painting, printmaking, video, photography, electronic art, ceramics, sculpture, and installation art.

31 semester hours are required for this minor.

Students must meet the Fine Arts (BFA) program admission standards. Space is limited.

GAME ART DESIGN CERTIFICATE

A certificate in Game Art Design provides students with basic knowledge of the principles and production of game art design and animation. Students will participate in lectures, studios and critiques learning the necessary tools for creative production in game art and animation. This will involve presenting their own written and creative works. Students will learn how to design and develop an original game and how the principles of game design apply to various disciplinary goals.

18 semester hours are required for this certificate.

To be considered for the Game Art Design certificate, students must have a university cumulative GPA of at least 3.0

GREEN ROOFS CERTIFICATE

The roof is the final frontier of urban spatial design, and the vegetated urban roof supports environmental, economic, and social components of sustainable urban design. This certificate addresses contemporary issues in living architecture, particularly in this emerging area of expertise.

21 semester hours are required for this certificate.

To satisfy the mandatory residency requirement for Green Roofs students, 50 percent of the required courses completed in the certificate (1) must be taken after gaining admission to the program and (2) must be taught within the College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning (DAAP). Students must meet the BS Horticulture Program admission standards.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION CERTIFICATE

This certificate in historic preservation is designed to develop an appreciation for and a working knowledge of the issues and techniques involved in the management and conservation of our built heritage. Students learn why historic resources from the past are significant to our present; the various degrees of intervention brought to bear on historic artifacts; the history and theory behind the historic preservation movement; how buildings, monuments, and landscapes are legally protected in the United States and throughout the world; and appropriate and sensitive design treatments for the historic built environment. Students who earn this certificate may go on to work in architectural and interior design offices, in cultural resource management firms, in local and state government, and with not-for-profit preservation and arts organizations.

18 semester hours are required for this certificate. Applicants can transfer up to nine credit hours from other universities towards this certificate. In addition to required courses, students are required to complete an internship of at least 90 hours of service.

HORTICULTURE CERTIFICATE OR MINOR

The certificate or minor in horticulture introduces students to the various fields associated with horticultural science, including plant identification, growth, health, and reproduction.

24 semester hours are required for this certificate or minor. To satisfy the mandatory residency requirement for Horticulture students, 50 percent of the required courses completed in the certificate (1) must be taken after gaining admission to the program and (2) must be taught within the College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning (DAAP). Students must meet the BS Horticulture Program admission standards.

PLANNING CERTIFICATE

Planning is an activity practiced by all individuals and organizations seeking to guide their transition into the future in an orderly and systematic manner. Planning is a particular way of thinking – essential in business, industry, public service, and the arts. As a problem-solving activity, effective planning results from development of specific skills and is grounded in specific theory. Students who earn this certificate will be able to demonstrate an understanding of: historical and contemporary planning practice, policy and processes; the different values and ethical standards affecting the practice of planning; and the theory, practice, constraints, and impacts of various land use controls.

18 semester hours are required for this certificate.

Students pursuing the certificate are required to meet Bachelor of Urban Planning admission standards.

PRE-ART THERAPY CERTIFICATE

Art Therapy is a mental-health profession that uses art making with “people who experience illness, trauma, or changes in living, and by people who seek personal development. Through creating art and reflecting on the art products and processes, people can increase awareness of self and others, cope with symptoms, stress, and traumatic experiences; enhance cognitive abilities; and enjoy the life-affirming pleasures of making art” (<http://www.americanarttherapyassociation.org/aata-aboutus.html>). Students completing the certificate will gain knowledge and understanding about the field of art therapy and will help prepare them for applying to graduate programs as a graduate level art therapy degree is required to practice professionally.

33-35 semester hours are required for this certificate.

To be considered for the pre-art therapy certificate, students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0.

SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPE DESIGN CERTIFICATE

The certificate in sustainable landscape design will expand basic knowledge of building design and landscape design to include a sustainable, integrated approach to the design of the built environment.

24 semester hours are required for this certificate.

To satisfy the mandatory residency requirement for Sustainable Landscape Design students, 50 percent of the required courses completed in the certificate (1) must be taken after gaining admission to the program and (2) must be taught within the College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning (DAAP). Students must meet the BS Horticulture Program admission standards.

URBAN AGRICULTURE CERTIFICATE

The certificate in urban agriculture responds to contemporary issues in horticulture, urban design, livability and quality of life, food security, and sustainability.

24 semester hours are required for this certificate.

To satisfy the mandatory residency requirement for Urban Agriculture students, 50 percent of the required courses completed in the certificate (1) must be taken after gaining admission to the program and (2) must be taught within the College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning (DAAP). Students must meet the BS Horticulture Program admission standards.

URBAN DESIGN CERTIFICATE

The certificate in Urban Design will provide individuals with foundational knowledge about the art and science of cities through history to inform future visions for cities and places; introduce the skills and techniques to design livable, functional, and aesthetically appealing places in response to the current and future challenges of cities; and provide the ability to think critically, to encourage multidisciplinary solutions and appropriate sustainable design and management options that serve to promote harmony between the different facets of cities and places by considering them from a holistic perspective.

18 semester hours are required for this certificate.

Students pursuing the certificate are required to meet Bachelor of Urban Planning admission standards.

URBAN LANDSCAPES CERTIFICATE

The certificate in urban landscapes curriculum expands basic knowledge of building and landscape design to address the role of plant life in the sustainable urban environment.

27 semester hours are required for this certificate.

To satisfy the mandatory residency requirement for Urban Landscapes students, 50 percent of the required courses completed in the certificate (1) must be taken after gaining admission to the program and (2) must be taught within the College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning (DAAP). Students must meet the BS Horticulture Program admission standards.